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OFFICE OF PETITIONS

In re Application of
McKennon, et al.
Application No. 09/859,503
Filed: May 18, 2001
Attorney Docket No. 4377.62

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ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition to revive under 37 CFR 1.137(b), pursuant to 37 CFR 1.137(f), filed June 23, 2003.

The petition is GRANTED.

Petitioner states that the instant nonprovisional application is the subject of an international application filed on April 24, 2002. However, the US Patent and Trademark Office was unintentionally not notified of this filing within 45 days subsequent to the filing of the international application.

In view of the above, this application became abandoned pursuant to 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(iii) and 37 CFR 1.213(c) for failure to timely notify the Office of the filing of an application in a foreign country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications 18 months after filing.

A petition under 37 CFR 1.137(f) must be accompanied by:

- (1) the reply, which is met by the notification of such filing in a foreign country or under a multinational treaty;
- (2) the petition fee as set forth in 37 CFR 1.17(m); and
- (3) a statement that the entire delay in filing the required reply from the due date of the reply until the filing of a grantable petition was unintentional.

The instant petition has been found to be in compliance with 37 CFR 1.137(f). Accordingly, the failure to timely notify the Office of a foreign or international filing within 45 days after the date of filing of such foreign or international application as provided by 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(iii) and 37 CFR 1.213(c) is accepted as having been unintentionally delayed.

The petition fee of \$650 has been charged to Deposit Account No. 50-0417, as authorized.

The previous Request and Certification under 35 USC 122(b)(2)(B)(i) has been rescinded. A Communication Regarding Rescission of Nonpublication Request and/or Notice of Foreign Filing which sets forth a projected publication date of February 5, 2004 accompanies this decision.

The Power of Attorney by Assignee and Change of Address, filed September 23, 2003 and August 7, 2003, respectively, have been entered and made of record. Future correspondence concerning this application will be mailed to the new attorneys of record at the above address.

The application file is being forwarded to Technology Center 1600.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision should be directed to the undersigned at (703) 305-0272.



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